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Dr. Stanley Meiburg, Regional Director  
US EPA REGION 4  
61 Forsyth Street, S.W.  
Atlanta, GA 30303-8960

**RE: Request for Technical Assistance Grant for by Protect Gainesville's Citizens for Cabot/Koppers Superfund Site, Gainesville, Florida**

Dear Dr. Meiburg:

We are writing in support of the group "**Protect Gainesville's Citizens, Inc.**" and their Technical Assistance Grant (TAG) request filed with the EPA last month. We believe that this group can provide the much needed resources to keep our community informed on this vital environmental issue.

We have also personally attended public meetings held by Protect Gainesville's Citizens and have found them to be warm and welcoming to all in attendance. We believe that this kind of inviting atmosphere is key to ensuring that there is openness and transparency in this process, so that any citizen can attend, ask questions, and learn about the Koppers Superfund remediation efforts.

In addition, the group's facility is easy to access, and is located right on University Avenue, only a few blocks away from the University of Florida. We were also pleased to see many UF students in attendance at recent meetings.

The remediation of the Koppers Superfund site is a high profile issue for our community. Protect Gainesville's Citizens (PGC) is, in our opinion, the ideal group to provide effective communication with our local residents, and we believe that if Protect Gainesville's Citizens is awarded the EPA TAG Grant for this project, they will use the TAG Grant funds wisely.

If you have any questions about this letter, or wish to follow up with me personally, please feel free to call me at: 800-307-9232 ext. 3, or email me at: [inbox@bancca.org](mailto:inbox@bancca.org).

Sincerely,

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